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SUBJECT: BIOGRAPHIC DATA ON MEMBERS OF EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT

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- 1. EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT (EP) SECRETARIAT INFORMS US THAT GIOVANNI BOANO WILL NOT BE PART OF EP DELEGATION TO US (REFTEL). HE IS BEING REPLACED BY LUIGI CANDIDO ROSATI, ALSO A CHRISTIAN DEMOCRAT FROM ITALY. OTHERWISE, DELEGATION LIST IS SAME AS CONTAINED IN REFTEL. BIOGRAPHIC INFORMATION FROM EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT (AND PARENTHETICAL COMMENTS FROM USEC AND EMBASSY BRUSSELS) FOLLOWS. PARTY DESIGNATIONS ARE THOSE OF POLITICAL GROUPS IN EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT.
- 2. (A) GEORGES SPENALE: FRENCE, SOCIALIST. PRESIDENT OF EP SINCE MARCH, 1975. BORN 1913. SPEAKS ONLY FRENCH.

 VARIETY OF SENIOR POSITIONS IN FRENCH COLONIAL SERVICE IN FRANCOPHONE AFRICA, 1941-1962. ELECTED TO FRENCH NATIONAL ASSEMBLY IN 1962 AS DEPUTY FOR TAIN. MEMBER OF EP SINCE 1964. MEMBER OF STEERING COMMITTEE OF FRENCH SOCIALIST PARTY. CHAIRMAN OF EP SOCIALIST GROUP. CHAIRMAN OF THE EP'S COMMITTEE ON FINANCE, 1967-5. (COMMENT: SPENALE IMPRESSES AS A DEDICATED EUROPEAN WHO BELIEVES IN THE IMPORTANCE OF FURTHER PROGRESS TOWARD INTEGRATION AND AN ENHANCED ROLE FOR PARLIAMENT. HE FEELS PARLIAMENT HAS STEADILY EXPANDED ITS INFLUENCE IN RECENT YEARS AND LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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SPENALE IS AN EXPERT ON AFRICAN AFFAIRS AND, INCIDENTALLY, A GOOD RACONTEUR.)

(B) GLINNE, ERNEST: BELGIUM, SOCIALIST. BORN 1931.

M.A. DEGREE IN POLITICAL SCIENCE AND PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION. FORMERLY A JOURNALIST. SOCIALIST DEPUTY IN BELGIAN PARLIAMENT FROM CHARLEROI. FORMERLY MINISTER OF LABOR IN BELGIAN GOVERNMENT. IVP GRANTEE AROUND 1971. (COMMENT: GLINNE IS PARTICULARLY INTERESTED IN FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND SOCIAL AND HUMANITARIAN PROBLEMS. HE IS GENERALLY REGARDED AS A PRAGMATIC LEFTIST, ARTICULATE AND HARDWORKING.)

(C) BORDU, GERARD: FRANCE, COMMUNIST. BORN 1928.

DEPUTY IN FRENCH NATIONAL ASSEMBLY SINCE 1973 AND IS A
MEMBER OF THE CENTRAL COMMITTEE OF THE FRENCH COMMUNIST
PARLIAMENTARY GROUP. CURRENTLY IS A VICE PRESIDENT OF
EP AND A MEMBER OF ITS COMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC AND MONETARY AFFAIRS. VISITED US IN 1974.

(D) ROSATI, LUIGI CANDIDO: ITALY, CHRISTIAN DEMOCRAT. BORN 1914. FOUGHT IN RESISTANCE IN WORLD WAR II AND WAS INTERRED IN POW CAMP IN GERMANY AND POLAND. PRESIDENT OF SEVERAL EDUCATIONAL, PHILANTHROPIC, AND SPORTS ORGANIZATIONS IN BOLZANO, ITALY. FOUNDER AND HONORARY PRESIDENT OF FARMERS' ASSOCIATION COLTIVATORI DIRETTI. FIREST ELECTED TO THE ITALIAN SENATE IN 1963.

(E) SIR PETER KIRK; UK, CONSERVATIVE. BORN 1928.
EDUCATED OXFORD AND ZURICH UNIVERSITY; PRESIDENT OF THE
OXFORD UNION 1949. CHAIRMAN OF THE EUROPEAN CONSERVATIVE
GROUP IN THE EP. MEMBER OF THE EP'S POLITICAL AFFAIRS
COMMITTEE AND THE COMMITTEE ON THE ENVIRONMENT, PUBLIC
HEALTH AND CONSUMER PROTECTION. FORMER JOURNALIST, AND
FORMER DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC RELATIONS COMPANY. ALSO USED
TO PRODUCE DOCUMENTARY FILMS. MEMBER OF BRITISH PARLIAMENT FOR SAFFRON WALDEN SINCE 1955. UNDER-SECRETARY
FOR WAR 1963-64; UNDER-SECRETARY FOR DEFENSE FOR THE ARMY
1964; UNDER-SECRETARY OF DEFENCE FOR THE NAVY 1970.
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DELEGATE TO THE ASSEMBLIES OF THE COUNCIL OF EUROPE AND THE QEU. (COMMENT: KIRK IS AN ARTICULATE, PERSUASIVE PUBLIC SPEAKER AND AN ABLE PARLIAMENTARIAN. IN JUNE HE LED AN UNSECCESSFUL CINSURE MOTION AGAINST THE COMMISSION, AND MORE RECENTLY HIS NAME HAS FIGURED IN SPECULATION AS A POSSIBLE CANDIDATE FOR THE NEW, ROY JENKINS-LED COMMISSION.)

(F) LANGE, ERWIN, FRG, SOCIALIST. BORN 1914. CHAIRMAN OF THE EP COMMITTEE ON BUDGETS; MEMBER OF THE COMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC AND MONETARY AFFAIRS. TYPESETTER AND MANAGER OF A PRINTING FIRM. ACTIVE IN THE SOCIALIST YOUTH MOVEMENT BEGINNING IN 1928, AND IN THE TRADE UNION MOVEMENT SINCE 1930. POLITICALLY ACTIVE FOR THE SPD IN THE ESSEN AREA SINCE 1946. MEMBER OF THE SPD PUBLIC HEALTH AND ECONOMIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEES. MEMBER OF THE SPD BOARD ON PROBLEMS OF THE SELF-EMPLOYED. MEMBER OF THE BUNDESTAG SINCE 1949.

(G) HOUDET, ROGER: FRANCE, LIBERAL. BORN 1899. CHAIRMAN OF THE EP COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE; MEMBER OF THE COMMITTEE ON REGIONAL POLICY, REGIONAL PLANNING AND TRANSPORT. AGRICULTURAL ENGINEER; GRADUATE OF ECOLE SUPERIEURE D'ELECTRICITE; MINISTER FOR AGRICULTURE IN FRENCH GOVERNMENT, 1953-55; PRESIDENT OF THE COMMITTEE OF AGRICULTURAL MINISTERS OF OECD COUNTRIES, 1958. RESIGNED FROM MINISTERIAL OFFICE TO SERVE TERM OF OFFICE AS SENATOR, 1959; RE-ELECTED SENATOR, 1968. MEMBER OF CODER (REGIONAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE) IN UPPER NORMANDY. DELEGATE TO CONSULTATIVE ASSEMBLY OF THE COUNCIL OF EUOPE AND TO THE ASSEMBLY OF THE WEU, 1965-68. MEMBER OF THE FRENCH SENATE'S COMMITTEE ON CULTURAL AFFAIRS.

(H) JAHN, EDGAR: FRG, CHRISTIAN DEMOCRAT. BORN 1914. VICE-CHAIRMAN OF THE EP COMMITTEE ON THE ENVIRONEMENT, PUBLIC HEALTH AND CONSUMER PROTECTION; MEMBER OF THE POLITICAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE AND THE JOINT PARLIAMENTARY COMMITTEE OF THE EEC-TURKEY ASSOCIATION. STUDIED HISTORY, LAW AND POLITICAL SCIENCE IN BERLIN AND GRAZ. DOCTORATE IN POLITICAL SCIENCES. AUTHOR AND PUBLISHER LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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SINCE 1947. VICE-CHAIRMAN OF FRG REFUGEE FEDERATION.
MEMBER OF THE BUNDESTAG SINCE 1965. MEMBER OF CDU
SINCE 1947. CDU LAND CHAIRMAN FOR BRUNSWICK AND MEMBER
OF THE CDU LAND EXECUTIVE FOR LOWER SAXONY.

(I) SCOTT-HOPKINS, JAMES; UK, CONSERVATIVE. BORN 1921. VICE-CHAIRMAN OF THE EP COMMITTEE ON EXTERNAL ECONOMIC RELATIONS, MEMBER OF THE POLITICAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE AND OF THE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE. VICE-CHAIRMAN OF THE EUROPEAN CONSERVATIVE GROUP. EDUCATED ETON AND OXFORD. MARKETING CONSULTANT. AIRMY OFFICE UNTIL 1949, WHEN HE RETIRED TO BECOME A FARMER. MEMBER OF BRITISH PARLIAMENT FOR NORTH CORNWALL 1959-66, AND FOR DERBYSHIRE WEST SINCE 1967. PARLIAMENTARY SECRETARY, MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE, FISHERIES AND FOOD 1962-64. JOINT PARLIAMENTARY

UNDER-SECRETARY OF STATE, MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE, FISHERIES AND FOOD.

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(J) LENIHAN, BRIAN, IRELAND, PROGRESSIVE DEMOCRAT.
BORN 1930. VICE-CHAIRMAN OF THE EP POLITICAL AFFAIRS
COMMITTEE. VICE-CHAIRMAN OF THE GROUP OF EUROPEAN PROGRESSIVE DEMOCRATS. EDUCATED UNIVERSITY COLLEGE,
DUBLIN; KING'S INNS, DUBLIN (BA,BL). BARRISTER-ATLAW, AND COMPANY DIRECTOR. IRISH SENATE, 1957-61.
DAIL DEPUTY FOR ROSCOMMON, 1961-69. DAIL DEPUTY FOR
ROSCOMMON-LEITRIM, 1969-73. SINCE 1963 SENATOR, AND
LEADER OF THE FIANNA FAIL PARTY IN THE SENATE. PARLIAMENTARY SECRETARY TO THE MINISTER FOR LANDS AND
FISHERIES, 1961-64. MINISTER FOR JUSTICE, 1964-68.
MINISTER FOR EDUCATION, 1968-69. MINISTER FOR TRANSPORT AND POWER, 1969-73. MINISTER FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS,
1973. MEMBER OF THE CONSULTATIVE ASSEMBLY OF THE
COUNCIL OF EUROPE, 1958-61.

(K) BROEKSZ, JAN B., NETHERLANDS, SOCIALIST. BORN 1906. MEMBER OF THE EP LEGAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE AND THE COMMITTEE ON DEVELOPMENT AND COOPERATION. VICE-CHAIRMAN OF THE SOCIALIST GROUP. CHAIRMAN OF EUROPEAN BROAD-CASTING UNION FROM 1965 TO 1971. MEMBER OF HILVERSUM LOCAL COUNCIL FROM 1935 TO 1962. MEMBER OF THE FIRST CHAMBER OF THE STATES GENERAL SINCE 1956,

(L) STEWART, MICHAEL, UK, SOCIALIST. BORN 1906. MEMBER OF THE EP POLITICAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE. VICE- CHAIRMAN OF THE SOCIALIST GROUP. EDUCATED CHRIST'S HOSPITAL, AND ST. JOHN'S COLLEGE, OXFORD. PRESIDENT LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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OF THE OXFORD UNION 1929. ARMY INTELLIGENCE CORPS, 1931-42. M.P. FOR FULHAM SINCE 1950; REPRESENTED EAST FULHAM, 1945-50. SECRETARY OF STATE FOR EDUCATION AND SCIENCE, 1964-65; SECRETARY OF STATE FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS, 1965-66 AND 1968; SECRETARY OF STATE FOR ECONOMIC AFFAIRS, 1966-67; FIRST SECRETARY OF STATE, 1967-68; SECRETARY OF STATE FOR FOREIGN AND COMMONWEALTH AFFAIRS, 1968-70.

(M) SCHUIJT WILLEM J., NETHERLANDS, CHRISTIAN DEMOCRAT. BORN 1909. MEMBER OF THE EP POLITICAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE, THE LEGAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE, AND THE COMMITTEE ON DEVELOPMENT AND COOPERATION. DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY AND LETTERS. SCHOOLTEACHER, 1929-45. MEMBER OF EXECUTIVE OF ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON RESISTANCE, 1943-46. JOURNALIST (PARIS CORRESPONDENT OF AN AMSTERDAM NEWSPAPER, AND OF CATHOLIC BROADCASTING SERVICE), 1950-56. DEPUTY SECRETARY-GENERAL OF 'NOUVELLES EQUIPES INTERNATIONALES' IN PARIS, 1952-57. SUBSTITUTE AT CONSULTATIVE ASSEMBLY OF THE COUNCIL OF EUROPE, AND AT ASSEMBLY OF WEU, 1957-60. MEMBER OF THE SECOND CHAMBER OF THE STATES-GENERAL, 1956-71. BECAME MEMBER OF THE FIRST CHAMBER OF THE STATES-GENERAL, 1971.

(N) HOUGARDY, NORBERT, BELGIUM, LIBERAL. BORN 1909.

MEMBER OF THE EP COMMITTEES ON ECONOMIC AND MONETARY

AFFAIRS, AND ON ENERGY AND RESEARCH. VICE-CHAIRMAN

OF THE LIBERAL AND ALLIES GROUP. FORMER EP VICEPRESIDENT. STUDIED FOR DEGREE AT THE "INSTITUT SUPERIEUR

DE COMMERCE". PRESIDENT OF THE BRUSSELS YOUNG

LIBERALS, 1939. LT. COLONEL IN THE RESISTANCE, 1940-45.

JOURNALIST AND COMPANY DIRECTOR. SENATOR FOR BRUSSELS

SINCE 1956. VICE-CHAIRMAN PARTY OF LIBERTY AND

PROGRESS; BICE PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE, 1967-68;

MEMBER OF THE COMMITTEES ON NATIONAL DEFENCE AND FINANCE.

(COMMENT: HOUGARDY IS KNOWN TO BE PARTICULARLY INTERESTED

IN INTERNATIONAL SECURITY AFFAIRS. HE HAS VISITED

WASHINGTON AND CAPE KENNED IN THE PAST. GENERALLY

REGARDED AS GREGARIOUS AND A GOOD RACONTEUR.)

(O) COUSTE, PIERRE-BERNARD, FRANCE, PROGRESSIVE DEMO-LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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CRAT. BORN 1920. MEMBER OF THE EP COMMITTEES ON ECONOMIC AND MONETARY AFFAIRS, EXTERNAL ECONOMIC RELATIONS, AND THE JOINT PARLIAMENTARY COMMITTEE OF THE EEC-TURKEY ASSOCIATION. FORMER VICE-PRESIDENT OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT. DOCTTR OF LAW; COMPANY DIRECTOR; NATIONAL CHAIRMAN OF 'CENTRE DES JEUNES PATRONS' 1958-61; CHAIRMAN OF 'FEDERATION DES JEUNES CHEFS D'ENTREPRESES D'EUOPRE 1961-64. CHAIRMAN OF RHONE-LOIRE COMMITTEE OF FOREIGN TRADE ADVISERS. MEMBER OF THE FRENCH NATIONAL ASSEMBLY SINCE 1962, SITTING WITH THE UNION DES EMOCARTES POUR LA REPUBLIQUE (UDR) FACTION. (COMMENT: COUSTE HAS STRUCK MISSION AS A RELATIVELY OPEN AND MODERATE GAULLIST, WHO APPEARS TO BE WELL DISPOSED TOWARD THE U.S.) HINTON

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